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Applicant(s): Keiichi Kimura et al.

Invention: POLISHING METHOD AND POLISHING APPARATUS

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AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated December 17, 2004 (Paper No./Mail Date 121104), please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 4 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.